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Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks News Release

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Construction to begin in Kings Canyon National Park

Work on a new telecommunications tower in the Grant Grove area of Kings Canyon National Park is scheduled to begin this week. Completion is expected by November 1, 2010.

The tower will be built at the end of Park Ridge Road, which is off the Panoramic Point Road. Park Ridge Road is generally open only to park vehicles, so delays to visitor traffic are not expected. There may be occasional, short-term delays when large equipment is being moved to or from the construction site.

All local trails will remain open; only the area immediately around the construction zone at the end of Park Ridge Road will be closed to visitors. Construction is expected to occur on weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., excluding federal holidays.

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